DM-19 April 1961

## DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory, Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Abbot Smith,	25X1
MR. DULLES:	
a. Noted he had received a memorandum from Deputy Secretary of Defense Roswell Gilpatric proposing that there be established a Critical Areas Board which would have the assigned function of coordinating U. S. Government policies and activities in critical areas, e.g., Cuba, Laos, Congo, Southern Vietnam. Copies of this proposal have been furnished to DD/P and DD/I and the Director asked for their views not later than 11:30 on Thursday, 20 April.	
b. Noted we had received on a "highly confidential basis" a report	25X1
c. Noted that the Chief, CI Staff, had sent out a rather lengthy book message on a particularly sensitive subject, and commented while the information contained therein should be made available to the Stations concerned, in view of the volume of cable traffic at the moment, it would have been better if the information concerned had been transmitted by other means, e.g., by pouch where possible and by hand of TDY travelers. Mr. Helms stated that the same thought had struck him when he saw the come-back copy of this message and undertook to caution the DD/P components to hold down transmission.	

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by cables as much as possible.